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In re application of: Yabuta et al. § Group Art Unit: 3625

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Performing Commodity Purchasing

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the office action dated May 9, 2006 finally rejecting claims 6-17.

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